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1. Rafael Echeverria, an ardent member of the Ecuadorian Communist Party, is scheduled to leave Ecuador on 1 September for Paris, France, where he will represent the Ecuadorian Federation of University Students (FEUE) at the "World Congress of University Students". His itinerary is reported as follows: Leaves Quito for Cali, Colombia, via Avianca on 1 September; leaves Cali for Bogota and Barranquilla, Colombia, on 2 September; leaves Barranquilla for Caracas, Venezuela, via Panagra on 3 September; and leaves Caracas for Paris, France, via Transcaribbean on 4 September 1948
2. Echeverria's trip is the result of an invitation issued to the FEUE and a simultaneous confidential communication to Pedro Saad, outstanding Ecuadorian Communist leader, from the Latin American Committee of the French Communist Party. The latter communication included two Travellers Checks in the amount of \$500 (U.S.C.) each. The accompanying instructions stated that one check was to be used to defray the cost of sending a Communist delegate to the above mentioned Congress; the other was to provide liaison between the Ecuadorian and Mexican branches of the Party for the organizing of a pro-Wallace propaganda program in Latin America. [REDACTED] FEUE officials also petitioned the Ecuadorian Government for funds to defray the expenses of sending a delegate to the Congress in France.
3. The French communication urged sending a Communist delegate to the Youth Congress, since the other delegates would be Communists and since the Congress intended to deal with Party matters as well as official business.

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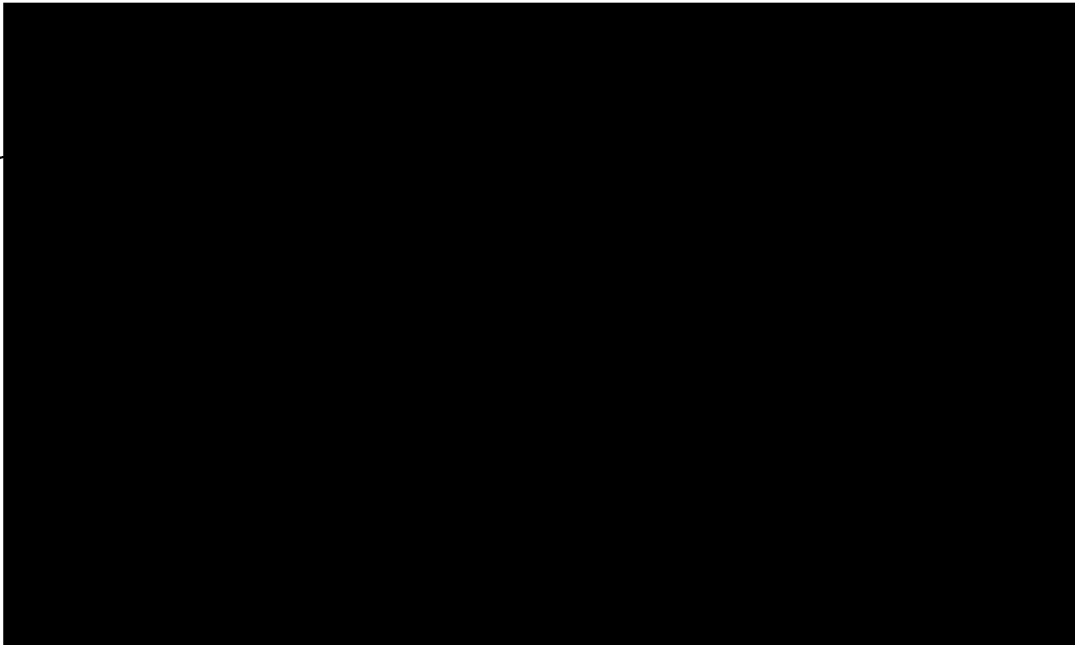
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